

# **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA**

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

**At Charleston**

### **A PROCLAMATION**

**By the Governor**

**WHEREAS**, Jackie Ray "Jack" Buckalew was born in Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia, on the eleventh day of November, Nineteen Hundred Thirty-two, the son of the late Floyd W. and Dorothy Sayre Buckalew; and

**WHEREAS**, Jack Buckalew graduated from Ripley High School, Jackson County, in Nineteen Hundred Fifty; received his Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Morris Harvey College (University of Charleston), Kanawha County, and his Master of Science in Safety Education from Marshall University, Cabell County; and

**WHEREAS**, Jack Buckalew was in the United States Navy from Nineteen Hundred Fifty-one to Nineteen Hundred Fifty-five, serving during the Korean War aboard Aircraft Carrier U.S.S. Hornet of the 7<sup>th</sup> Fleet; and

**WHEREAS**, Jack Buckalew served as the Chief of Police of the Charleston Police Department from Nineteen Hundred Eighty-three to Nineteen Hundred Eighty-five; as the West Virginia State Police Superintendent from Nineteen Hundred Eighty-nine to Nineteen Hundred Ninety-three; and as the West Virginia Department of Administration Cabinet Secretary; and

**WHEREAS**, Jack Buckalew was elected to the serve as a member of the West Virginia Senate, representing the Eighth District, Kanawha County, in Nineteen Hundred Ninety-four, and served as Senate Minority Whip for the Seventy-second Legislature and Senate Minority Leader for the Seventy-third Legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Jack Buckalew was involved in several organizations and committees, including the South Charleston Masonic Lodge #168 AF & AM, Charleston Scottish Rite Bodies, York Rite Bodies, Beni Kedem Shrine, Flying Fezzes, Royal Order of Jesters Court #111, and was a Kentucky Colonel; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Jack Buckalew served on the Board of Directors of the Salvation Army and Goodwill Industries and was appointed by Governor Earl Ray Tomblin to serve on the Ethics Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Jack Buckalew, a committed and respected public servant and a devoted husband, father and grandfather, died on the third day of March, Two Thousand Sixteen; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Jack Buckalew is survived by his two sons, Robert (Kelley) and Ken; grandchildren, Robert Marshall Buckalew, Beth Hackworth (Ken), Laura Wilson (John Garten), LaRayne Newhouse (Travis); great-grandchildren, Ty and Chase Newhouse; longtime friends Bob and Pat Stanley; and companion, Ruth Bernstein; and was predeceased by his wife, Eula; parents, Floyd and Dorothy Buckalew; siblings, Loci, Floyd, Marshall, Harry, and Inez; and great-grandson, Joshua Kenneth Hackworth; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of the State of West Virginia and friends and associates of Senator Jack Buckalew desire to recognize his dedicated public service to the great State of West Virginia, and to acknowledge his valuable contributions to the State.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL RAY TOMBLIN**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby **ORDER** that, in commemoration of the distinguished life and service of Senator Jack Buckalew, the West Virginia State flag displayed at the Capitol Complex in Charleston, West Virginia, and at all State facilities throughout Kanawha County, West Virginia, shall be lowered to half-staff from dawn to dusk on the twelfth of March, Two Thousand Sixteen, the day of services celebrating his life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this eleventh day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Sixteen, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Third year of the State.

*Earl Ray Tomblin*  
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE